GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2780
ANSWERED ON:20.03.2002
ESTABLISHMENT OF MISSION IN NEW YORK
SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to set up a third Mission in New York ; and

(b) if so, the constitution and functions thereof, indicating the reasons for setting up the same?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a) & (b) : No, Sir. However, an Indian citizen, Shri B.K.Agnihotri,residing in the United States, has been appointed as Adviser in the Embassy of India, Washington and Ambassador-at-large for Non-Resident Indians/ People of Indian origin with the aim to strategically promote better coordination within the Non-Resident Indians/ People of Indian origin as well as economic cooperation, investment and commerce by the Non-Resident Indians/ People of Indian origin with India. His office is functioning from New York.